

CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 18 day of May, 2017, in the Territory of the Virgin Islands, by and between the Government of the Virgin Islands, Department of Property and Procurement, on behalf of the Virgin Islands Department of Health (hereinafter referred to as "Government") and Virgin Islands Perinatal, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor")

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Government is in need of the services of a Contractor to implement a health and wellness program, which duties and responsibilities are more particularly described in **Addendum I** (Scope of Work) attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor represents that it is willing and capable of providing such services;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and intending to be legally bound by this written instrument, the parties hereto do covenant and agree as follows:

1. SERVICES

The Contractor will provide the services described in **Addendum I** (Scope of Work) attached hereto and made a part of this contract.

2. TERM

This Contract shall commence upon the execution of this Contract by the Governor of the Virgin Islands and shall terminate on September 30, 2017.

3. COMPENSATION

The Government, in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the services described in **Addendum I** (Scope of Work), agrees to pay Contractor the sum of One Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$135,000.00) in accordance with the provisions set forth in **Addendum II** (Compensation) attached hereto and made a part of this contract.

4. TRAVEL EXPENSES

Inclusive of the compensation for services as specified in Paragraph 3 (Compensation) above, the Government agrees to pay documented transportation, subsistence, lodging and other travel expenses, while in travel status, for trips which have been authorized in writing, in advance, by the Government. These costs shall be advanced or reimbursed on the same basis as is applicable to non-contract employees of the Government, or as agreed to by an addendum to this Contract, however, said costs and expenses shall not exceed N/A (\$ N/A).

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5. RECORDS

The Contractor when applicable, will present documented precise records of time and/or money expended under this Contract.

6. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Contractor agrees to maintain the professional standards applicable to its profession and to consultants doing business in the United States Virgin Islands.

7. DOCUMENTS, PRINTOUTS, ETC.

All documents, books, records, instructional materials, programs, printouts and memoranda of every description derived therefrom and pertaining to this Contract shall become the property of the Government and shall be turned over to it at the termination of this Contract. The above described materials shall not be used by Contractor or by any other person or entity except upon the written permission of the Government.

8. LIABILITY OF OTHERS

Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to impose any liability upon the Government to persons, firms, associations, or corporations engaged by Contractor as servants, agents, or independent contractors, or in any other capacity whatsoever, or make Government liable to any such persons, firms associations, or corporations for the acts, omissions, liabilities, obligations and taxes of Contractor of whatsoever nature, including but not limited to unemployment insurance and social security taxes for Contractor, its servants, agents or independent contractors.

9. ASSIGNMENT

The Contractor shall not subcontract or assign any part of the services under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Government.

10. INDEMNIFICATION

Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Government from and against any and all loss, damage, liability, claims, demands, detriments, cost, charges and expense (including attorney's fees) and causes of action of whatsoever character which Government may incur, sustain or be subjected to, arising out of or in any way connected to the services to be performed by Contractor under this Contract and arising from any cause, except the sole negligence of Government.

11. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall perform this Contract as an independent contractor and nothing herein contained shall be construed to be inconsistent with this relationship or status.

12. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the United States Virgin Islands and jurisdiction shall remain in the United States Virgin Islands.



13. WAIVERS AND AMENDMENTS

No waiver, modification or amendment of any term condition or provision of this Contract shall be valid or of any force or effect unless made in writing, signed by the parties hereto or their duly authorized representatives, and specifying with particularity the nature and extent of such waiver, modification or amendment. Any such waiver, modification or amendment in any instance or instances shall in no event be construed to be a general waiver, modification or amendment of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of this Contract, but the same shall be strictly limited and restricted to the extent and occasion specified in such signed writing or writings.

14. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties relating to the subject matter addressed in this agreement. This agreement supersedes all prior communications, contracts, or agreements between the parties with respect to the subject matter addressed in this Agreement, whether written or oral.

15. RIGHT TO WITHHOLD

If work under this Contract is not performed in accordance with the terms hereof, Government will have the right to withhold out of any payment due to Contractor, such sums as Government may deem ample to protect it against loss or to assure payment of claims arising therefrom, and, at its option, Government may apply such sums in such manner as Government may deem proper to secure itself or to satisfy such claims. Government will immediately notify the Contractor in writing in the event that it elects to exercise its right to withhold.

No such withholding or application shall be made by Government if and while Contractor gives satisfactory assurance to Government that such claims will be paid by Contractor or its insurance carrier, if applicable in the event that such contest is not successful.

16. CONDITION PRECEDENT

This Contract shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds and to the approval of the Governor.

17. TERMINATION

Either party will have the right to terminate this Contract with or without cause on thirty (30) days written notice to the other party specifying the date of termination.

18. PARTIAL TERMINATION

The performance of work under this Contract may be terminated by the Government, in part, whenever the Government shall deem such termination advisable. This partial termination shall be effected by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Partial Termination specifying the extent to which the term and/or duties under this Contract are terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The

Contractor shall be entitled to receive payment for services provided to the date of termination, including payment for the period of the 30 day notice.

19. NON-DISCRIMINATION

No person shall be excluded from participating in, be denied the proceeds of or be subject to discrimination in the performance of this Contract on account of race, creed, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

20. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

(a) Contractor covenants that it has no interest and will not acquire any interest direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Contract.

(b) Contractor further covenants that it is:

(1) not a territorial officer or employee (i.e., the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, member of the Legislature, or any other elected territorial official; or an officer or employee of the legislative, executive or judicial branch of the Government or any agency, board, commission or independent instrumentality of the Government, whether compensated on a salary, fee or contractual basis); or

(2) a territorial officer or employee and, as such, has:

- (i) familiarized itself with the provisions of Title 3, Chapter 37 of the Virgin Islands Code, pertaining to conflicts of interest, including the penalties provision set forth in section 1108 thereof;
- (ii) not made, negotiated or influenced this Contract, in its official capacity;
- (iii) no financial interest in the Contract as that term is defined in section 1101(1) of said Code chapter.

21. EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Contract shall be the day of execution of the Contract by the Governor.

22. NOTICE

Any notice required to be given by the Terms of this Contract shall be deemed to have been given when the same is sent by certified mail, postage prepaid or personally delivered, addressed to the parties as follows:

GOVERNMENT

Michelle S. Davis, PhD
Commissioner
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1303 Hospital Ground, Suite 10
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00802
340.774.0117

Lloyd T. Bough, Jr.
Commissioner Nominee
Department of Property and Procurement
Sub Base, Building No. 1, Third Floor
St. Thomas, VI 00802

CONTRACTOR

Virgin Islands Perinatal, Inc
Eurkres Rallings, MHA, Executive Director
P.O. Box 698
Christiansted, Virgin Islands 00821-0698
340.718.8083

23. LICENSURE

The Contractor covenants that it has:

- (a) obtained all of the applicable licenses or permits, permanent, temporary or otherwise as required by Title 27 of the Virgin Islands Code; and
- (b) familiarized itself with the applicable provisions of Title 27 of the Virgin Islands Code pertaining to professions and occupations.

24. OTHER PROVISIONS

Addenda attached hereto are a part of this Contract and are incorporated herein by reference.

25. DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

By execution of this contract, the contractor certifies that it is eligible to receive contract awards using federally appropriated funds and that it has not been suspended or debarred from entering into contracts with any federal agency. The Contractor shall include this provision in each of its subcontracts hereunder and shall furnish its subcontractors with the current "LIST OF PARTIES EXCLUDED FROM FEDERAL PROCUREMENT OR NON PROCUREMENT". In the event the Contractor or any subcontractor misrepresents its eligibility to receive contract awards using federal funds, the Contractor or subcontractor agrees that it shall not be entitled to payment for any work performed under this contract or any subcontract and that the Contractor or subcontractor shall promptly reimburse the Government of the Virgin Islands for any progress payments heretofore made.

26. FALSE CLAIMS

Contractor warrants that it shall not, with respect to this Contract, make or present any claim upon or against the Government of the Virgin Islands, or any officer department, board, commission, or other agency thereof, knowing such claims to be false, fictitious or fraudulent. Contractor acknowledges that making such a false, fictitious or fraudulent claim is an offence under Virgin Islands law.



27. NOTICE OF FEDERAL FUNDING

Contractor acknowledges that this Contract is funded, in whole or in part, by federal funds. Contractor warrants that it shall not, with respect to this Contract, make or present any claim knowing such claim to be false, fictitious, or fraudulent. Contractor acknowledges that making such a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim is a federal offense.


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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands on the day and year first above written.


WITNESSES:

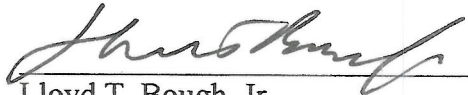


GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS


Michelle S. Davis, Ph.D.
Commissioner
Department of Health

3/8/17
Date





Lloyd T. Bough, Jr.
Commissioner Nominee
Department of Property and Procurement

4/3/17
Date

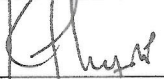


CONTRACTOR


Eurkres Y. Rallings, MHA
Executive Director
Virgin Islands Perinatal, Inc.

3/7/17
Date


APPROVED:



KENNETH E. MAPP
GOVERNOR OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

Date: 5-18-17


APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BY:


AAG Date: 5/11/17

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CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

I hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of
Contract No. _____ entered into between
the Department of Property and Procurement and
the Virgin Islands Perinatal, Inc.

Lloyd T. Bough, Jr., Commissioner Nominee
Department of Property and Procurement

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ADDENDUM I

SCOPE OF WORK

The Virgin Islands Perinatal, Inc. will conduct a health and wellness program named **Cardiovascular and Cerebrovascular Health Initiative (CCHI)**.

Goal: To implement a health and wellness program that will educate participants on methods to make positive lifestyle changes that will decrease the risk factors that lead to cardiovascular disease and stroke.

All deliverables in the outlined Scope of Work will be completed by no later than September 30, 2017.

- Minimum of twenty-five (25) participants will be recruited for the CCHI health and wellness program as evidenced by participant agreements.
- Initial behavioral and clinical screening (Biometrics – ie. Blood pressure, weight, body mass index, eating habits, smoking practices, etc.) for each participant will be completed and documented by a health care provider
- A report demonstrating the data collected will be sent to the Director of Chronic Disease
- Interventions will be implemented and completed which will include nutrition counseling, health education on heart disease and stroke prevention, healthy diet and lifestyle education, medical follow-up, medication monitoring, exercise support with instructor and counseling.
- Each participant will be evaluated by a medical provider and case manager.
- A family service plan will be developed specific to the individuals' clinical and behavioral assessment by the CCHI team.
- At the end of the project, a final behavioral and clinical screening will be performed on each participant by the health care providers.
- Survey on how the participants viewed the program will be conducted.

Goal: To conduct an evaluation of the health and wellness program to determine effectiveness.

- Analyze data on pre and post clinical and behavioral measures by the CCHI program director.
- A final report on the CCHI program will be submitted to Chronic Disease Prevention Program director by the CCHI program director. Report will include interventions completed and data collected and analyzed.

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ADDENDUM II

COMPENSATION

In consideration of the Contractor's satisfactory performance of the services described in Addendum I to this Contract, the Government shall compensate the Contractor as follows:

I. Amount of Compensation:

A total sum not to exceed **ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$135,000.00).**

II. Method of Payment:

Contractor shall invoice the Government for services provided as outlined in Addendum I. The Government herein commits to utilize its best efforts to ensure the timely payment of all submitted invoices within thirty days of their receipt. The projected completion of the Cardiovascular and Cerebrovascular Health Initiative is September 30, 2017 and shall cost the Government an amount not to exceed: **\$135,000.00.**

Schedule of Payment is as follows:

The Contractor shall invoice the Government upon satisfactory completion of the entire project as defined in **Addendum I** (Scope of Work).

Fund Title: Preventative Health Services
Org: 310070L4
Obj: 564100
Project: F7029

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